

Please replace claims 4-12 with the following amended claims 4-12.

4(Amended). A method as claimed in claim 2, wherein said host cells are harvested from said host organism at a stage when there is no direct prediction, suggestion or suspicion that said disease or disorder may develop.

5(Amended). A method as claimed in claim 2, wherein said host organism is a human.

6(Amended). A method as claimed in claim 2, wherein said host organism is juvenile, adolescent or adult, at the same time the cells are obtained.

7(Amended). A method as claimed in claim 2, wherein the immune system of said host organism is mature, at the time the cells are obtained.

8(Amended). A method as claimed in claim 2, wherein the immune system of said host organism is uncompromised, at the time the cells are obtained.

9(Amended). A method as claimed in claim 2, wherein said lymphocyte cells are T-lymphocyte cells.

10(Amended). A method as claimed in claim 3, wherein said therapy is therapy of a chronic condition.

11(Amended). A method as claimed in claim 2, wherein said therapy is cancer therapy.

12(Amended). A method as claimed in claim 2, wherein said therapy is for HIV infection or AIDS.

Please replace claims 14-16 with amended claims 14-16 as follows.

14(Amended). A method as claimed in claim 2, wherein said host cell population is maintained in a state of dormancy.

Q<sup>2</sup> 15(Amended). A method as claimed in claim 2, wherein said host cell population comprises a genetically modified cell.

16(Amended). A method as claimed in claim 2, wherein, after removal from the host and before transplantation, said host cell population is stored by freezing the cells.

Please replace claims 19-20 with amended claims 19-20 as follows.

19(Amended). A method as claimed in claim 17 wherein said lymphocyte cells are T-lymphocyte cells.

Q<sup>3</sup> 20(Amended). A dormant lymphocyte cell population obtained by the method of claim 17.